

Friday, 5 April 2019

Berry Village Retirement Pty Ltd

RE: LANDSCAPE DESIGN INTENT STATEMENT

Lot 6, 10 Victoria Street Berry NSW

Dear Rachmat,

Following please find the landscape design intent for the Lot 6, Victoria Street, Berry development:-

- The landscape has been designed to complement the existing landscape theme of the existing village.
- The proposed built form along the entire Victoria Street frontage is visually softened by using considered layered plantings of ground covers, turfed areas, shrub plantings and strategically-placed deciduous canopy trees to integrate and contribute positively to the overall street locality and streetscape.
- Similarly the proposed planting design for the internal road system responds to the smaller streetscape scale delineating and clearly framing pedestrian entries to front doorways and driveways.
- The vehicular entrance to the site is framed on one side by a communal open space area (affording residents with an attractive setting with seating for relaxing and providing opportunities for social interaction with their neighbours). The right hand side of the entry driveway has maintained a visual open feel with selected screening shrubs and trees to screen new dwellings
- The north south communal open space is shared amenity between buildings on Street B and Street C creates important pedestrian linkages to and through this informal community meeting. The planting design creates intimacy by reducing the visual dominance of the buildings and creates an inviting cooler microclimate for summer relief, as well as, the selected deciduous feature trees allow for increased solar access and passive use of this space during winter months.
- The southern built form elevation is also screened with native species.
- The proposed planting palette for the development is a mixed palette of both native and exotic species chosen for their hardiness to the site conditions and microclimates within the site. Deciduous trees are proposed in key areas to provide summer shade and winter sun as well as add seasonal interest with leaf colour changes. Evergreen trees are to be used where year round screening and amenity is required. These trees will also help to ameliorate wind conditions within the development.
- The set back areas contain a layered planting design comprised of groundcovers and smaller and larger shrubs to present an interesting façade to the street. Planting has been strategically located within the courtyards to maximise the usable space of the courtyards. Screen plantings and trees have been located within the communal open space adjacent to the courtyards to provide privacy and amenity.

Please do not hesitate to call if you require any further information or clarification of the above.

Yours sincerely,

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